



Hayward Police Department

Crime Alert

Day/Evening Auto Burglaries

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Attention Hayward Residents and City Employees:

There have been increases in daytime and evening auto burglaries in the Downtown City Hall Parking Garage (across from City Hall) and the North Hayward BART Parking Garage. This bulletin is to alert you of this crime trend. It will also provide you with information that could be significant in preventing auto burglaries, auto thefts, and identifying suspicious persons in these areas.

Typical Method of Operation for AUTO BURGLARIES:

- Most occurred during weekday business hours. Some occurred during the evening and weekend hours.
- The suspect(s) will steal from vehicles in broad daylight.
- The suspect(s) will target vehicles parked in dark places (carports/poorly lit areas of parking garages or parking lots).
- The suspect(s) will target vehicles that have items of value or items that *appear to have value* that are in plain view or clearly visible from the exterior.
- The suspect(s) will check to see if the windows are open or the doors are Unlocked. If locked, they frequently pry the door or break the window.

Typical Stolen Items:

- Stereos
- GPS
- CD's
- Cell Phone/iPod
- Tools
- Sun glasses
- Clothing
- Briefcases/bags
- Checkbooks/purses

Summary:

- Report all suspicious activities or persons to HPD immediately – **Do not wait to call HPD if you see:**
 - Someone walking around in a parking lot looking into cars
 - Someone on a bicycle with a backpack looking into cars
- Lock your vehicle and utilize an alarm system if you have one.
- Park your vehicle in a well-lit area.
- Conceal items of value or take them with you when you leave your vehicle. **Do not leave them in plain view.**

Report all suspicious activity immediately (510) 293-7000
If you see a burglary in progress or you have an emergency call 9-1-1